

## Minutes of Meeting

<b>Date(s):</b> 10 Oct 2015		<b>Start Time:</b> 1030		<b>End Time:</b> 1600		<b>Distribution date:</b> 12 Oct 2015	
<b>Title of Meeting:</b> First Competition Committee (CC) Meeting 2015/16							
<b>Location:</b> Lasham				<b>Chair:</b> Liz Sparrow / Alan Langlands (Acting)			
<b>Present:</b> Russell Cheetham(RC) Liz Sparrow (ES) Alan Langlands (AL) Brian Spreckley (BS) by Skype Andy Cockerell (AC) Graham Garnett (GG) Paul Crabb (PCr)				<b>Distribution:</b> Meeting Attendees + BGA Exec (once approved)			
<b>Apols:</b> Mark Holden (MH) Rich Hood (RH) Pete Masson (PM)							

Legend		
<b>Type</b>	EVE	Event
	OBS	Observation
	DEC	Decision
	AI	Action Item

No	Type	Due By Date	DESCRIPTION	Resp.
<b>Meeting and Comps Committee Admin</b>				
1	OBS		LS opened meeting and thanked Lasham for hosting.	
2	OBS / AI	7 Nov	<p><b>Chairman and CC Structure</b> – The BGA exec have stated that they will find a new chairman by Christmas.</p> <p>LS/AL to advise the Exec that, since the bulk of the CC's work will be undertaken during the winter meetings in the coming four months it is imperative that a new chairman should be appointed as soon as possible, ideally before the meeting scheduled for 7th November.</p> <p>The CC thanked Paul Candler for his hard work on the committee and invite him to continue to act as an advisor to the CC on scoring and task setting matters.</p>	LS/AL
3	OBS		<p><b>FLARM</b> – Brian noted that Flarm was not mandatory at the 2015 Europeans. A meeting with Flarm is being proposed during the IGC Bureau meeting at the end of the months. The hope is to create a list of proposals, including changing the name and protocol of 'stealth' mode and sending it to Flarm from IGC.</p> <p>No action from CC required. BS to provide update following IGC Bureau meeting.</p>	

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4	AI	ASAP	<p><b>Other FAI Matter</b> – Brian reported that the list for proposals for the next Plenum meeting should be available by the date of the next meeting. Liz reported that there was little progress from the championships working group – Liz has sent the CC comments back to the working group but received nothing further.</p> <p>LS to send follow up email to ensure debate on proposals happens before IGC Bureau meeting.</p> <p>Russell reported that the handicapping group have been working on a proposal to maintain the 750kg limit for the 20m MS class but to introduce a suitable weight penalty to allow heavier gliders to still compete.</p>	LS
5	DEC/ AI	ASAP	<p><b>EGC2017</b> – Brian reported that the Chief Steward to be appointed at Bureau meeting. Russell reported that Andy Davis was working on the local rules for the pre-Europeans and wanted clarification on 2 points:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Can the finish ring have a radius greater than 3km (BGA rules state up to 3km radius)</li> <li>2. Can cloud flying be banned for this particular competition?</li> </ol> <p>Brian stated that the finish ring parameters should be printed on the task sheet. The minimum height can be set daily and be different for the different classes. Alan stated that Andy's concern with cloud flying was that international pilots who don't cloud fly would be disadvantaged and could present added danger. Brian added that language on the radio could also be an issue.</p> <p>CC support rationale behind cloud flying ban and use of IGC rules for finish rings, but the local rules should reflect that this ban is a local rule decision and not a CC implementation.</p> <p>LS to communicate decision to Andy Davis and request an update following the Lasham planning meeting on 11<sup>th</sup> October.</p>	LS
6	DEC	N/A	<p><b>Comps Calendar 2016</b> – Russell reported that there had been no bids for nationals other than the prior arrangement with Lasham. Aston Down (Standard and 20m MS Classes) and Pocklington (Club Class) subsequently bid and were accepted. Tibenham were approached and have bid for 18m Class. Russell suggested a CC member act as a point of contact with an offer of CC support for Tibenham as comp host.</p> <p>CC approve Tibenham bid and Russell as named contact for any support.</p> <p>Brian reported that the date of the SGP at Bicester had been changed. Brian is in contact with OJ at Bicester to advertise comp, but competition days not fully agreed. Brian also reported that there will be a wing loading limit – new rules to be published at end of month.</p>	

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7	AI	7 Nov	<b>Coaching / Team Vote</b> – Graham will speak to the pilots to confirm classes for the 2016 WGC and inform them that pilots will be required to sign a contract and a deposit will be required (uncashed cheque). Graham will also speak to Rich about the budget.	GG
			CC to resurrect pilot's contract and approve before next meeting.	GG
			CC to discuss team budget at next meeting. Also Aim to have 2015 de-briefs and coaches meeting same weekend as next CC meeting 7th/8th Nov.	
8	DEC	N/A	<b>Dates of Future Meetings</b> Saturday 7th November      Bicester or Weston on the Green Saturday 12th December      Bicester or Weston on the Green Saturday 9th January          Lasham Saturday 30th January        Husbands Bosworth	
9	EVE	N/A	<b>Closure of Rieti Incident</b> – An incident occurred during the 2015 EGC in Rieti. One pilot behaved in unacceptable manner. An investigation was carried out and an appropriate course of action and sanction were agreed by CC and carried out.	
10	AI	7 Nov / 1 Dec	<b>Nationals Entries</b> – Russell reported that the old website was no longer available but the BGA had requested a list of requirements for the functionality of the website from the CC. The entry system needs to open by 1 <sup>st</sup> December.	
			RC and PC to write a requirements spec for improvements to the nationals entries site and circulate to the CC.	RC/PC
			AL to produce spec of issues arising from team voting.	AL
11	AI	21 Oct	<b>Ratings List</b> – Liz reported that the ratings list was required for publication in S&G by 21 <sup>st</sup> October. Alan noted that it should be a requirement that directors provide an excel version of results to the CC within a week of the competition finishing – the directors report can follow.	
			RC to chase all directors for results	RC
			PC to compile ratings list and speak to BS about use of IGC ranking list for regional competitions.	PC
12	AI	12 Dec	<b>Trophies</b> – Russell has already spoken to Basil about recipients of the Rex Pilcher trophy.	
			LS to ask Keith to put request for nominees for John Hands Trophy in next BGA newsletter and to review BGA ladder flights in the new year.	LS
			PM to discuss nominees for Phil Lever Trophy with Juniors Steering Group and provide recommendation to CC.	PM
13	AI	12 Dec	<b>Rule Changes</b> – Further discussion on rule changes at next meeting. Rule book to be changed to incorporate generic wording relating to ANO.	
			Paul Candler is also invited to continue work on the improvements to the DHT and present them to the CC.	
			All CC members to consider rule changes to reduce field landing risks.	All

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14	AI	7 Nov	<b>Directors Reports / Comps Forums</b> – Recommendations from directors reports to be discussed at November meeting.  LS to produce a summary of comp forum reports for review at November meeting	LS